



- Use cloth towels for everyday cleanup jobs
- Use non-toxic homemade cleaning mixtures with vinegar & baking soda, lemon juice & olive oil, or Borax. Call 240-777-6564 for *CleanWays to do Dirty Jobs*, a non-toxic alternative guide.

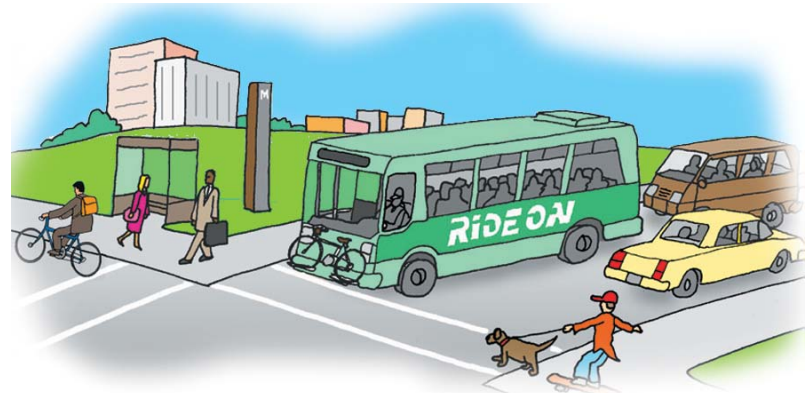
- Think of creative ways to reuse different items
- Use www.montgomerycountymd.gov/useitagain & www.freecycle.org to find & give away usable items, or sell them on www.craigslist.com
- Collect rainwater for your plants & garden
- Reduce pollution runoff with rain gardens & other techniques. For more information go to: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rainscapes.
- Convert your home to CFL &/or LED lighting



- Use www.earth911.org to find recycling & waste prevention resources in your own community
- Use www.GreenSeal.org to find GREEN products & services
- Stop junk mail by using www.catalogchoice.org



- Pack on-the-go meals in reusable containers
- Choose products that have greater longevity
- Look for the Fair Trade Certification label on food, clothing & jewelry



- Carpool, take public transportation or ride a bike to work
- Select double-sided copying & printing
- Use email & electronic bulletin boards
- Reuse paper for note pads, wrapping paper or packing material
- Recycle rechargeable batteries—go to www.rbrc.org for locations
- Borrow or rent infrequently used items



- Buy paint responsibly! Buy only what you need & use up what you buy—depending on surface porosity, 1 gallon covers 250 to 350 sqft.
- Choose pump sprays instead of aerosols
- Look for local produce when you shop
- Buy recycled & recyclable products, avoid using disposable items
- Look for the ENERGY STAR label on appliances, lighting & electronics
- Grasscycle and backyard compost



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